

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend page 15, second full paragraph, as follows:

The client 100 is a terminal which the user operates to request a supply of service and receive a result, and on this terminal the Web (World Wide Web) browser and a dedicated client program are running. The portal server 101 is a server acting as a portal for accepting service requests from users, and when receiving a service request from a user, the ~~client 100~~ portal server 101 asks the search broker 107 for ~~policy information of the user and~~ information about another element service providing server at the next stage, which will provide an element service. According to the result of inquiry, the client sends a request to another element service providing server at the next stage for a supply of service.